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In re Application of: :  
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For: CIRCUITS AND METHODS TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION OF SOI DEVICES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 1, after the title, please insert:

a1 --This application is a continuation of U.S. patent  
application serial number 09/063,823, filed April 22, 1998, which  
claims priority from U.S. provisional patent application serial  
number 60/044,251 filed on April 23, 1997, which is now U.S. Patent no. 6,160,292  
issued Dec. 12, 2000.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-5 without prejudice to their reentry.